muscle behind it, not just throwing money at it but changing the policies to make sure that we give teachers the tools and the kids the incentives to be successful, the minimum wage, just giving people a working wage so they can go forward and do well and giving the tax benefits to the businesses that create the jobs. It's a great combination on both sides.

You know, the research which I know all of us feel so strongly about and finding the cures, these are things that Americans think about every day when they get up and go to work and think about their parents, their grand-parents, their kids. It's about the future of our families and our country. So I'm very excited and I know I'm going to sleep well tonight knowing we got good work done today. And we are going to continue working on this over the next number of weeks and months as we continue to move America forward

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Hodes, parting words, sir.

Mr. HODES. Well, you know, I'm glad to be here even though it's late at night. We're working hard for folks, and one of the things I think that's important for the American people to understand is that we have taken the task of reversing drastic cuts to important programs that have gone on under this President and the Republican Congress for many years. And we're doing it in a way that is fiscally responsible. We've introduced pay-as-you-go rules so that when we expand in one area, we're going to make sure that we're matching it with appropriate cuts in other areas. It's a vital, vitally important new thing that we're doing here in this Congress to make sure that we are stewards of the public trust, and that we are taking care of the people's money, we're not just pending it willynilly.

Now, unfortunately, we're dealing with a President who threatens vetoes, who has proposed drastic cuts in programs that are important investments for all Americans whether it's Community Development Block Grants or the HOPE VI program or section 8 or any program that really helps bring those at the lower levels up into the middle class and helps those in the middle class. This President has proposed to veto and he's proposed drastic cuts. We understand that we're going to make the right kind of investments to move this country forward. So I'm very proud of what we're doing.

Mr. ELLISON. Madam Speaker, this is going to conclude our Special Order hour. The difference-makers are going to be on the job for the American people. We can be counted on to make that difference that we were brought here to make. And, Madam Speaker, I just think it's important for the American people to know that this Democratic caucus will be standing up for them. So with that, thank you all.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. Peterson of Minnesota) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. Spratt, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. Sarbanes, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. Woolsey, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CUMMINGS, for 5 minutes, today. Ms. KAPTUR. for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. McCarthy of New York, for 5 minutes today

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. Langevin, for 5 minutes, today. (The following Members (at the request of Mr. Price of Georgia) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. Poe, for 5 minutes, August 2. Mr. Jones of North Carolina, for 5

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for minutes, August 2.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. HOEKSTRA, for 5 minutes, today. Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1877. An act to amend title 4, United States Code, to prescribe that members of the Armed Forces and veterans out of uniform may render the military salute during hoisting, lowering, or passing of flag; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced her signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1868. An act to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. ELLISON. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at midnight), the House adjourned until today, Friday, July 27, 2007, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2694. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's "Major" final rule—Shareholder Choice Regarding Proxy Materials [Release Nos. 34–56135; IC–27911; File No. S7–03–07] (RIN: 3235–AJ79) received July 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

2695. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Security Zone; Severn River and College Creek, Annapolis, MD [CGD05-06-112] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received May 14, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

tation and Infrastructure. 2696. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Security Zone: Queen of England Visit, Jamestown Island, VA. [CGD05-07-038] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received May 14, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

tation and Infrastructure. 2697. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulation for Marine Events; Roanoke River, Plymouth, North Carolina [CGD05-07-028] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received May 14, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

2698. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Security Zone, Elba Island LNG mooring Slip, Savannah River, Savannah, Georgia [COTP SAVANNAH 06–160] (RIN: 1625–AA87) received May 14, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

2699. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Security Zone; Georgetown Channel, Potomac River, Washington, DC [CGD05-06-105] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received May 14, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

tation and Infrastructure. 2700. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule—Security Zone: America's 400th Celebration, Jamestown, VA [CGD05-07-015] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received May 14, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2701. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Section 402.—Taxability of Beneficiary of Employees' Trust 26 CFR 1.402(b)-1: Treatment of beneficiary of trust not exempt under section 501(a) (Also: 83, 404, 409A, 661, 663, 671, 3101, 3111, 3121, 3301, 3306, 3401, 3402, 1.83-3, 1.83-8, 1.404(a)-12, 1.409A-1, 1.661(a)-2, 31.3102(a)-1, 31.3121(a)-1, 31.3306(b)-1, 31.3401(a)-1, 31.3402(a)-1, 31.3401(d)-1, 301.7701-14) (Rev. Rul. 2007-48) received July 3, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means. 2702. A letter from the Chief, Publications

2702. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Elimination of Schedule P of Form 5500 Series [Announcment 2007-63] received July 3, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means

2703. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—26 CFR 601.204: Changes in accounting periods and methods of accounting. (Also Part 1, 61, 451, 471, 481; 1.451-1.) (Rev. Proc. 2007-53) received July 3, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2704. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Section 162.—Trade or Business Expense 26 CFR

1.162-1: Business Expenses (Also 461; 831.) (Rev. Rul. 2007-47) received July 6, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2705. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Information Returns Required with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations and Certain Foreign-Owned Domestic Corporations [TD 9338] (RIN: 1545–BG11) received July 17, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2706. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Qualified Zone Academy Bonds; Obligations of States and Political Subdivisions [TD 9339] (RIN: 1545–BG44) received July 17, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. LARSEN of Washington (for himself, Mr. Dicks, Mr. Baird, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mrs. McMorris Rodgers, and Mr. Reichert):

H.R. 3184. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a competitive grant program for the Puget Sound area to provide comprehensive conservation planning to address water quality; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California:

H.R. 3185. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide special reporting and disclosure rules for individual account plans and to establish in the Department of Labor an Advisory Council on Improving Employer-Employee Retirement Practices; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. LARSEN of Washington (for himself, Mr. Baird, Mr. Ross, Mr. Sullivan, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Cleaver, Ms. Carson, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Hinojosa, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Farr, Mr. Dicks, and Mr. Ramstad):

H.R. 3186. A bill to understand and comprehensively address the oral health problems associated with methamphetamine use; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

By Mr. BAIRD (for himself, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Mr. Ross, Mr. Sullivan, Ms. Bordallo, Ms. Carson, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Hinojosa, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Farr, Mr. Dicks, Mr. Cummings, and Mr. Ramstad):

H.R. 3187. A bill to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to understand and comprehensively address the inmate oral health problems associated with methamphetamine use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary

By Mr. WELLER (for himself, Mr. HERGER, and Mr. CAMP of Michigan): H.R. 3188. A bill to eliminate the separate work participation rate requirements for 2-parent families under the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provi-

sions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. $\,$

By Mr. NADLER (for himself, Mr. Flake, Mr. Delahunt, Mr. Paul, Mr. Mack, Mr. Boucher, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Ellison, Mr. Wexler, Ms. Harman, Mr. Farr, Ms. Linda T. Sánchez of California, Mr. Scott of Virginia, and Ms. Wasserman Schultz):

H.R. 3189. A bill to establish reasonable procedural protections for the use of national security letters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. VELÁZQUEZ:

H.R. 3190. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals to designate that their income, estate, or gift tax payments be spent other than for purposes of supporting the war in Iraq and to provide that amounts so designated shall be used to provide funding for Head Start, to reduce the national debt, and to provide college funding for children of Iraq war veterans; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. COURTNEY (for himself, Mr. SHAYS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. DELAHUNT, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. HALL of New York, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 3191. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the transfer of certain contact information for a member of the Armed Forces who is being medically separated or retired under chapter 61 of such title to the department or agency for veterans affairs of the State in which the member intends to reside; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. Murtha, Ms. Bordallo, Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. Souder, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Pence, Mr. Mollohan, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. MELANCON, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. BOREN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. SHULER, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. Peterson of Minnesota, Mr. Stu-PAK, Mr. TAYLOR, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Gingrey, Mr. Boyd of Florida, Mr. BERRY, Mr. DONNELLY, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. RENZI, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. BARROW, and Mr. CLYBURN):

H.R. 3192. A bill to provide for programs that reduce the need for abortion, help women bear healthy children, and support new parents; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Education and Labor, and Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DEAL of Georgia (for himself, Mr. Barton of Texas, and Mr. BUYER):

H.R. 3193. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to establish a minimum State dispensing fee for covered outpatient multiple source drugs under the Medicaid Program, to modify the application of the average manufacturer price (AMP) method-

ology to drug rebates, to eliminate the State option to increase the cap amount on the equity asset test for individuals' eligibility for long-term care assistance under such program, and to extend an SSI asset verification demonstration to Medicaid; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FEENEY:

H.R. 3194. A bill to improve the H-1B nonimmigrant program by increasing the exchange of information between the Departments of Labor and Homeland Security; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOYER (for himself, Mr. SEN-SENBRENNER, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. Allen, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Bachus, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Berman, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. Blumenauer, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. BOUCHER, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. Calvert, Mr. Cardoza, Mr. Car-NEY, Mr. CHANDLER, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. COBLE, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Costa, Mr. Costello, Mr. Courtney, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. Tom Davis of Virginia, Mr. Defazio, Ms. Degette, Mr. Delahunt, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. DREIER, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. EMANUEL, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. FARR, Mr. FERGUSON, Mr. FILNER, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. Frelinghuysen, Mr. GALLEGLY, Ms. Giffords, GRIJALVA, Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HOLT, Mr. HONDA. Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. ISSA, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Mrs. Jones of Ohio, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KIND, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. KIRK, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Langevin, Mr. Lantos, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. LOEBSACK, Ms. Zoe Lofgren of California, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. Markey, Mr. Matheson, Ms. MATSUI, Mrs. McCarthy of New York, Ms. McCollum of Minnesota, Mr. McDermott, Mr. McGovern, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. George Mil-LER of California, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. PATRICK MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. Nadler, Mr. Neal of Massachusetts. Ms. Norton. Mr. NUNES, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. Perlmutter, Mr. Petri, Mr. Ra-HALL, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. ROTH-MAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr.SARBANES, SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. Shays, Ms. Shea-Porter, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. Solis, Mr. Souder, Mr. Space, Mr. STARK, Ms. SUTTON, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. Towns, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Van Hollen, Mr. Visclosky, Mr. Walsh of New York, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. WATSON, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WELCH of Vermont, Mr. Weldon of Florida, Ms. Woolsey, Mr. WYNN, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. Young of Alaska, Mr. Walz of Minnesota, Mr. McCotter, and Mr. DICKS):